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E.O. 11652 GDS
TAGS: PGOV, PEPR, CY, TU, YO
SUBJ: NAM: TURKEY STEPS UP LOBBYING ON CYPRUS QUESTION

1. TURKEY HAS HEARD THAT THE GREEK CYPRIOTS INTEND TO INTRODUCE THE RESOLUTION ON CYPRUS TO BE PASSED BY THE NAM MEETING IN BELGRADE IN THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING THEY HOPE TO CONVENE IN SEPTEMBER. WITH THIS PROSPECT IN MIND, THE TURKS ARE STEPPING UP EFFORTS TO MODERATE THE BELGRADE TEXT. MFA CYPRUS-GREECE DIRECTOR INAL BATU TOLD EMBOFF JULY 20 THAT DRAFT LANGUAGE PRODUCED BY YUGOSLAVIA HAD BEEN AS BAD AS THE RESOLUTION WHICH WAS PASSED AT THE HAVANA MEETING. TURKEY HAD ASKED FOR CHANGES, BUT DID NOT KNOW HOW HELPFUL THE YUGOSLAVS WOULD PROVE TO BE. IN THE MEANTIME, THE MFA HAS INITIATED A LOBBYING EFFORT AMONG NON-ALIGNED MEMBERS CONSIDERED FRIENDLY TO TURKEY. BATU RECENTLY CALLED TOGETHER THE REPRESENTATIVES OF 20 NON-ALIGNED NATIONS IN ANKARA AND ASKED THEM
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FOR THEIR HELP IN PRODUCING A BALANCED TEXT WHICH WOULD EMPHASIZE THE NEED FOR AN EARLY RESUMPTION OF INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS. TURKISH EMBASSIES HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO FOLLOW UP WITH DEMARCHES IN CAPITALS.

2. BATU SAID THAT YUGOSLAVIA HAD JUST AGREED TO

PERMIT TURKISH CYPRIOT REPRESENTATIVES TO BE PRESENT
IN BELGRADE DURING THE CONFERENCE. APPARENTLY
THE YUGOSLAVS HAD STRENUOUSLY RESISTED, AND HAD
CAVED IN ONLY AFTER TURKEY HAD USED THE STRONGEST
POSSIBLE LANGUAGE, INCLUDING "THREATS." TURKISH
CYPRIOT "FOREIGN MINISTER" CELIK LEAVES FOR BELGRADE
JULY 21, ACCOMPANIED BY TURKISH CYPRIOT MFA OFFICIAL
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